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Park and Recreation
Commission

Arlandria Chirilagua Plan

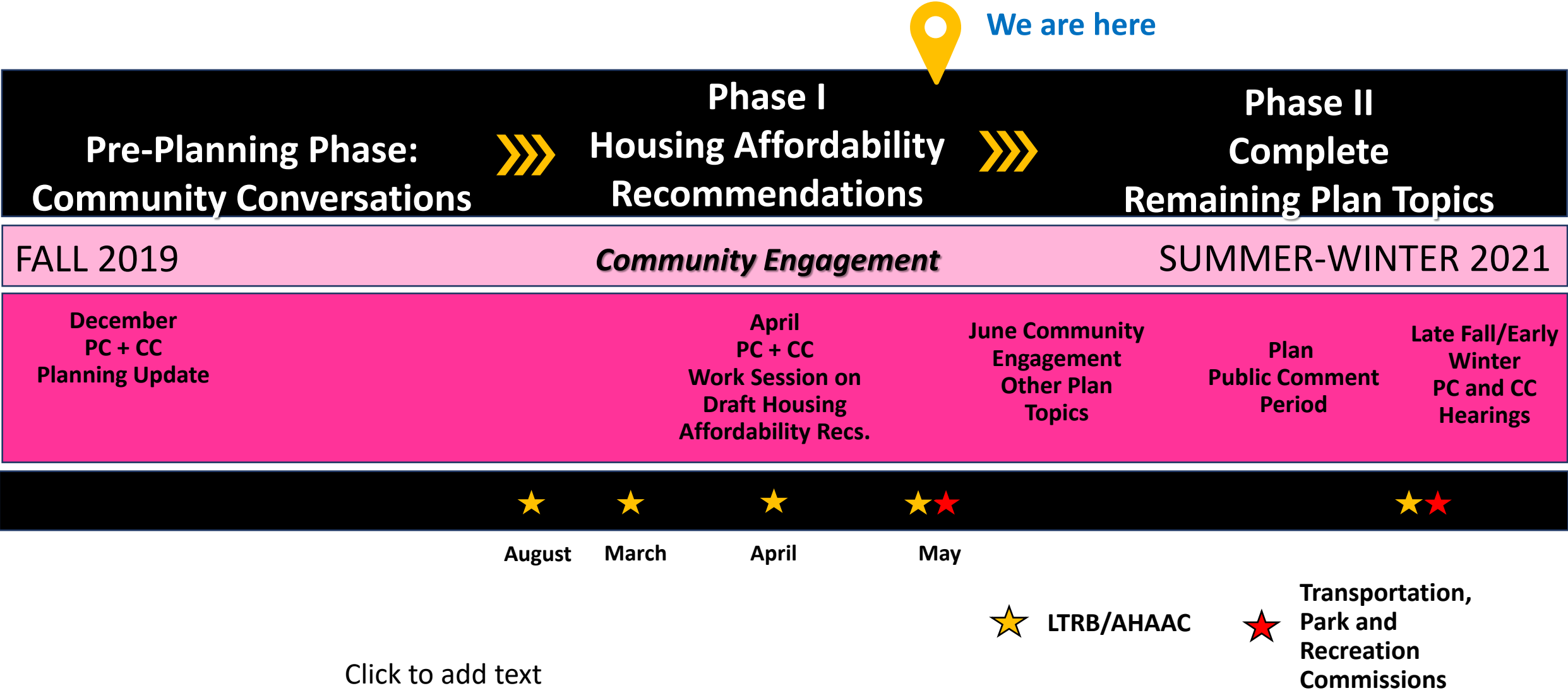


Neighborhood Context

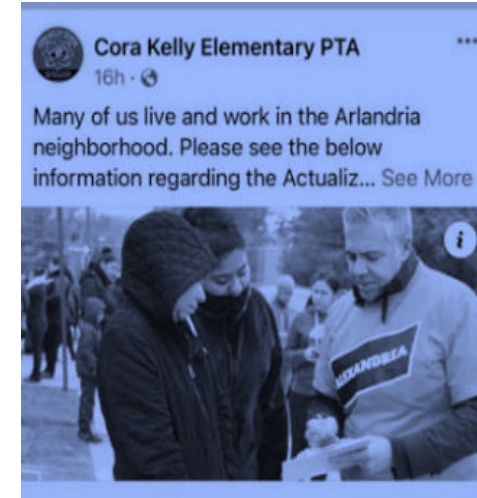
Planning Process Objectives

- Preserve Arlandria-Chirilagua as a *culturally diverse neighborhood*.
- *Protect residents' ability to remain in the community* amidst anticipated market pressures by *preserving and expanding housing affordability and opportunity*.
- Support *existing commercial corridor* and local businesses.
- Build on *neighborhood walkability, safety, and transportation options*.
- Connect and *expand the open space network* with more play areas and outdoor living rooms.
- *Empower residents* to advocate for their needs and participate in decisions affecting their neighborhood.

Project Schedule



Community Outreach – Spanish First



5 focus group meetings

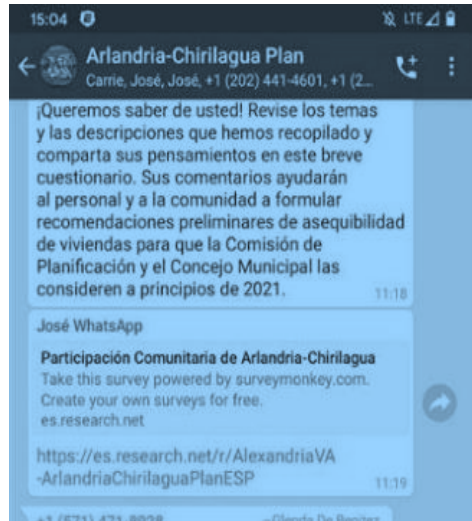
4 pop ups and table at the Arlandria Market

184 Spanish + **40**

English responses to questionnaire

2 virtual community meetings

~ 50 WhatsApp followers



Ongoing coordination with community orgs: TWU, Casa Chirilagua, Churches, Hume Springs Civic, Cora Kelly PTA, MVCS PTA, Padres Activos, Facebook Live and promotions, Posters, signs and flyers with QR code

Existing Parks/Open Space Vicinity Map



Four Mile Run Improvement Plan/Restoration Master Plan

The Plan

KEYED LEGEND	
1.	RENOVATE PARKING LOTS & ADD BIKE PARKING
2.	COMPLETE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMUNITY BUILDING AND PARK EXPANSION
3.	ADD WATER FOUNTAIN
4.	ADD MOTION SENSOR AREA LIGHTING PER APD
5.	IMPROVE FIELD CONDITIONS
6.	RELOCATE & FENCE DOG AREA
7.	ADD 2-3 ADULT FITNESS STATIONS ALONG PATH
8.	RELOCATE & CLUSTER PLAYGROUND, COURTS AND SEATING
9.	ADD MILE MARKERS ALONG EXISTING PATH
10.	ADD NEW HARD & SOFT TRAILS
11.	IMPROVE PERIMETER TREES TO CREATE "GREEN ALLEYS"
12.	INSTALL NEW BRIDGES
13.	CONSTRUCT STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ELEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL FEATURES
14.	ESTABLISH NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN
15.	CREATE OPEN-USE FIELD WITH SEATING
16.	AMEND TURNABOUT & REESTABLISH GREEN SPACE WITH PICNIC AREA AND GRILLS
17.	RESERVE AREA FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE RECYCLING CENTER
18.	RENOVATE MUSTER ROOM AND ADD RESTROOMS
19.	INCREASE CONNECTIVITY TO CORA KELLY FACILITIES
20.	PEDESTRIANIZE INTERSECTION & CONNECT TO 3550 COMMONWEALTH AVE PARK
21.	FORMALIZE PARK ENTRANCE
PER FMR RESTORATION PLAN	A. NATURALIZE STREAMBANK B. REMOVE FILL & RESTORE WETLAND C. INSTALL NEW BRIDGE



GRAPHIC KEY:					
	HARD TRAILS		PARK BOUNDS		ENTRANCE PLAZAS
	SOFT TRAILS/BOARDWALK		ATHLETIC FIELDS		STREAM BANK RESTORATION
			TIDAL WETLANDS		



Four Mile Run Restoration Master Plan

2014 Four Mile Run Improvement Plan

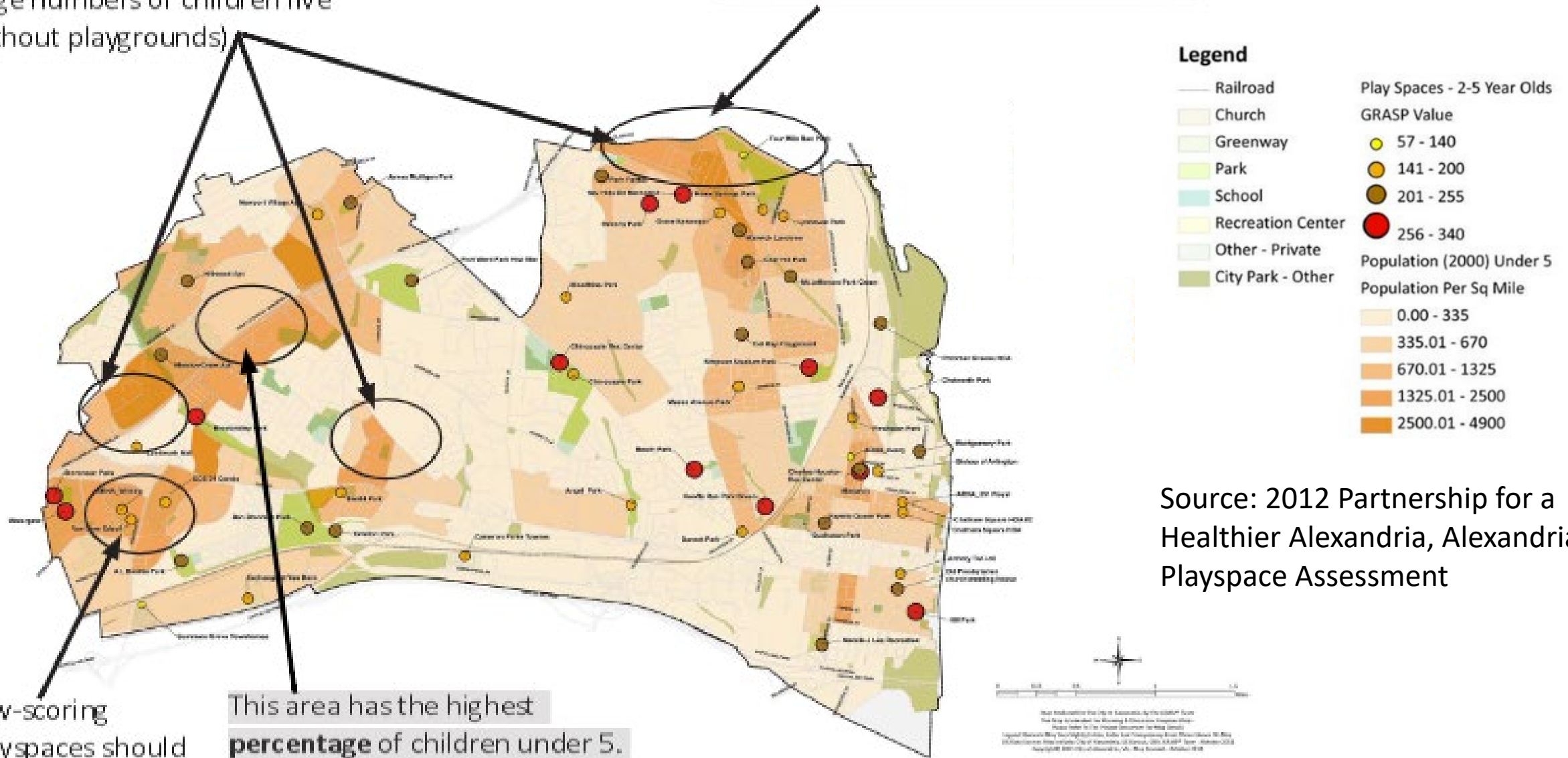
2006 partnership between Arlington County and City of Alexandria

- Existing plans for Four Mile Run include the following recommended improvements:
- Create open-use field for non-programmed active use
 - Establish new community garden
 - Improve connectivity to Cora Kelly facilities
 - Formalize park entrance

Locations + Values of inventoried playspaces for 2-5 years

Potential gaps (areas where large numbers of children live without playgrounds)

This area has the highest **number** of children under 5 of all census tracts in the city.



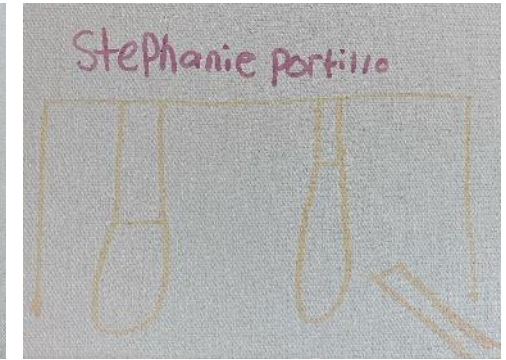
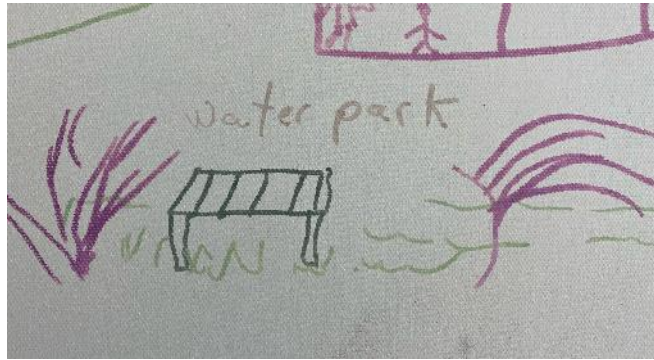
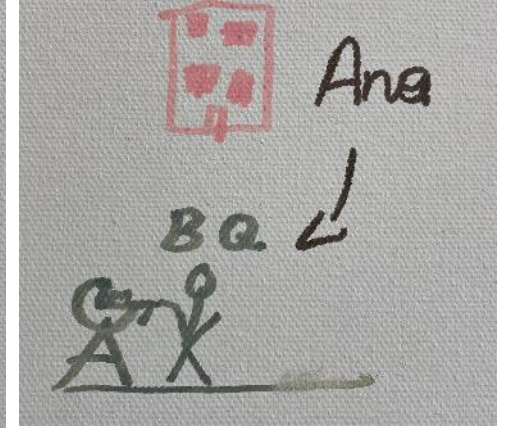
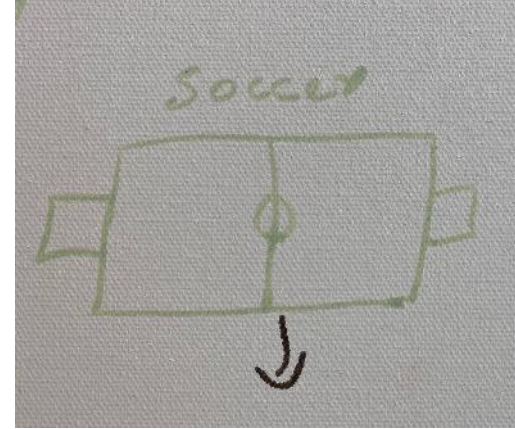
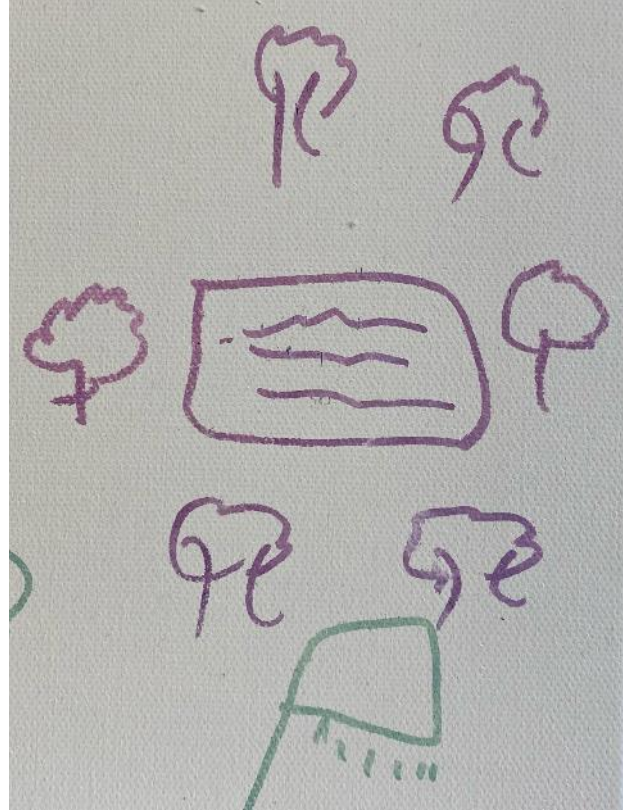
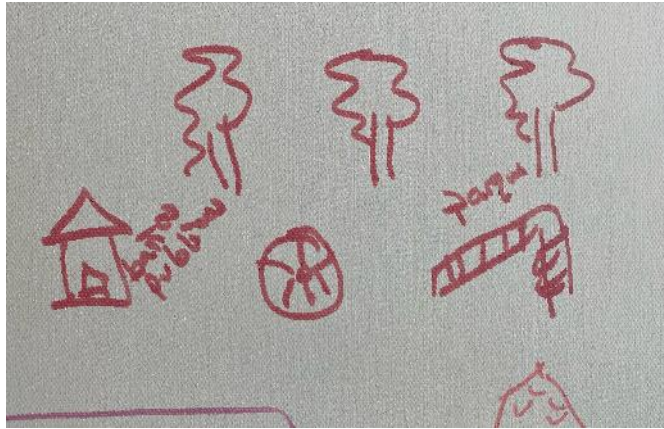
Source: 2012 Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria, Alexandria Playspace Assessment

Playspace Recommendations

- "The open space network should include a mixture of active, passive, natural, educational, entertainment, cultural, and social elements for all ages and abilities."
- "Open spaces should consider incorporation of community gardens, exercise and play equipment for people of all ages, and benches and places to rest."



Current Community Priorities for open space



- **Diversity of Uses** – Active, Passive, Social/(Outdoor living rooms);
- **Park Facilities** – Picnic/BBQ, Bathrooms, Rec Centers/Gyms, water parks, pool facilities, lights in the parks;
- **Playgrounds** – Playgrounds for children of all ages with public bathrooms.

Next Steps

SUMMER/FALL

- Community engagement on remaining Plan topics: Land Use, Open Space, Transportation, Infrastructure, Implementation, Etc.)
- Transportation Analysis
- Draft Plan release for public review

FALL/EARLY WINTER 2021

- Transportation Commission
- Park and Recreation Commission
- Public Hearings on Adoption of Final Plan

Q+A

Project web page
<https://www.alexandriava.gov/planning/info/default.aspx?id=110833>

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